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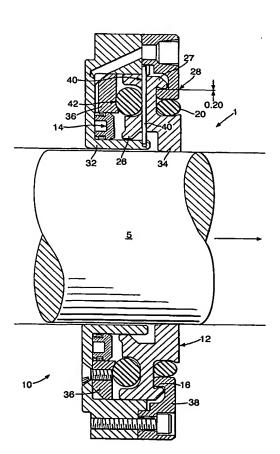
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(57) Abstract: A stripping assembly (10) for removal of a can body from a punch (5) in a can bodymaker in which an actuator (14) lifts stripper fingers (12) clear of the can carried on the punch in the forward stroke to avoid damage to the can or can coating. On the return stroke, the actuator piston is disabled so that the fingers close around the punch for stripping the can from the punch.

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